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COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG) PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Los Angeles (LA) County is the most populous county in the United States (US). The US Census Bureau reports an estimated population of over 10 million living in Los Angeles County.

Population Density

- 2,506 people per square mile.
- 3,504,139 housing units at an average density of 863 per square mile.

Housing

 In LA County, Fair Market Rent, according to HUD, for a one-bedroom apartment during 2017 was \$1,195, which was 58% of the monthly income of a family of four living at the federal poverty line of \$2,050.

Poverty Estimates

- The poverty rate for LA County is estimated at 16.3% of the population during 2017.
- Approximately 2 million people in LA County live below the 2017 federal poverty threshold, which was \$24,600 per year for a family of four.
- According to the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, as of January 2017, there are approximately 57,794 homeless individuals within LA County on a given night.
- As of December 2017, the rate of unemployment in LA County was 4.7%, which is slightly higher than the State of California at 4.5%; and higher than the nation's unemployment rate at 4.2%.

CSBG Accomplishments during 2017

Using \$6.04 million in CSBG funds, the LA County Community Action Agency, which is administered by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Social Services, provided services through 45 Community-Based Organizations. Estimated accomplishments in LA County were as follows:

- Approximately, 5,860 individuals that included 2,650 families received some type of CSBG service(s) in Los Angeles County.
- 1,873 individuals/families received emergency food and/or shelter services.
- 732 individuals/families received emergency protection from violence.
- 492 individuals/families received some form of legal assistance.
- 1,869 senior citizens received services that helped them maintain an independent living situation.
- 1,105 of the seniors served were individuals with disabilities.
- 263 youth increased their academic and social skills to achieve educational success.
- 140 youth improved social/emotional development and avoided risk-taking behavior.
- 191 parents improved their parenting and family functioning skills.
- 144 individuals received employment services and obtained employment.

CAB Vision: Successful self-sufficiency and well-being for all in Los Angeles County

CAB Mission: To 1) empower the poor to become self-sufficient, 2) alleviate poverty's immediate challenges, and 3) address poverty's underlying causes through community action and advocacy.